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May 23, 2006

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**AWARD OF PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS
ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Award and authorize the Director of Public Works, or his designee, to prepare the construction and maintenance services contracts in the form previously approved by County Counsel, execute the contracts, and establish the effective dates following receipt of approved Faithful Performance and Labor and Material bonds filed by the contractors for the following:

Project ID No. FCC0000984 - Live Oak Spreading Grounds Drainage Improvements and Live Oak Wash Invert Access Ramp, vicinity of Claremont (5), to Sol Construction, Inc., in amount of \$305,157.00.

Project ID No. FCC0000988 - Project No. 9725, East San Gabriel Valley, MTD 18 Drain Removal, City of West Covina (5), to Perry C. Thomas Construction, Inc., in amount of \$264,564.00.

Project ID No. FCC0001004 - Priority A and B Catch Basin Retrofit in Cities Tributary to the Los Angeles River, Phase 2, in the Echo Park and Westlake areas of the City of Los Angeles and the City of La Canada-Flintridge (1, 2, and 5), to United Storm Water, Inc., in amount of \$722,860.00.

Project ID No. FCC0001008 - CDR 114 - Upgrade Corrugated Metal Pipe, Cities of Pico Rivera and Whittier (1 and 4), to Sancon Technologies, Inc., in amount of \$215,986.00.

Project ID No. FMD0003081 - Catch Basin Cleanout 2006, Los Angeles River Watershed, vicinities of Commerce, Compton, Hidden Hills, Long Beach, and Pasadena (All), to Ron's Maintenance, in amount of \$336,879.00.

Project ID No. RDC0014747 - Solar Powered School Zone Flasher Project, Cycle 5, vicinities of Montebello, Florence, Elizabeth Lake, and Lake Los Angeles (1, 2, and 5), to Republic Electric, Inc., in amount of \$119,440.00.

Project ID No. RMD1146040 - Parkway Tree Trimming, Road Division 116, FY 2005-06, in the vicinity of City of Industry (1), to California Western Arborists, Inc., in amount of \$32,656.00.

Project ID No. RMD1446016 - Parkway Tree Trimming, RD 416, FY 2005-06, vicinity of Hacienda Heights (4), to Trimming Land Co., Inc., in amount of \$127,530.00.

Project ID No. RMD4246006 - Parkway Tree Trimming, RD 141/241, FY 2005-06, vicinities of Huntington Park and Compton (1 and 2), to Trimming Land Co., Inc., in amount of \$151,730.00.

Project ID No. RMD4446006 - Parkway Tree Trimming, RD 146/446, FY 2005-06 vicinities of Santa Fe Springs and Whittier (1 and 4), to United Pacific Services, Inc., in amount of \$196,480.00.

Project ID No. RMD5546113 - Parkway Tree Trimming and Removal, Road Divisions 555 A and C and 558 A, B, and D, Fast Growth, FY 2005-06, vicinities of East Lancaster, Lake Los Angeles, Littlerock, Pearblossom, Sun Village, and Valyermo (5), to Trimming Land Co., Inc., in amount of \$129,803.00.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

We are recommending that your Board award these construction and maintenance services contracts and authorize the Director of Public Works, or his designee, to execute the contracts and establish the effective contract dates following receipt of approved bonds and insurance filed by contractors for each of these projects.

The enclosure for each project includes the project description, the call for bids and bid opening dates, a tabulation of bids, and financial information. The certified record of receipt of bids and the original bid proposals for each project are also enclosed, including addenda to the contract specifications for Project ID Nos. FCC0000984 and FCC0000988.

The recommended construction and maintenance services contracts are necessary to execute Board-directed and approved Public Works projects in support of operational missions. Your Board's approval of the recommended contract awards and our subsequent execution of the contracts will ensure the timely completion of the projects.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The award of these construction and maintenance services contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since these contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The enclosure for each project includes the amount of the recommended contract as compared with the engineer's estimate and the other bids received.

These projects are included in the 2005-06 Department of Public Works Budget. The enclosure for each project includes more detailed fiscal and financial information.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Recommended contract awards are to the lowest responsible bidders in accordance with the California Public Contract Code and your Board's directives.

On October 27, 1981, your Board adopted a program for the use of small Minority and Women-owned Businesses (MWBs) on Federal- and State-funded highway construction contracts. Companies meeting these requirements are certified by the State as Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs). An overall goal for subcontracting portions of the work to DBEs is established for each project. Contracts are recommended for award to the lowest responsible bidder who meets the goal or documents a good faith effort to do so in conformance with the program.

We have also developed an outreach program to encourage all qualified contractors to participate in the bidding and contracting process on our projects. Under this program, we place notices of upcoming bids in local and minority newspapers throughout the County. These notices indicate that copies of plans and specifications are available at specified libraries and the Public Works Headquarters building. This allows interested contractors to view the plans and specifications at convenient locations. We also provide telephone numbers (including one for Spanish-speaking contractors) to obtain further information on bidding and subcontracting opportunities.

To further increase contractor awareness of contracting opportunities with Public Works, each of these projects was listed on the County website for upcoming bids.

The State Labor Code requires contractors to pay prevailing wage rates to all persons employed on public works construction contracts. These rates are determined by the Department of Industrial Relations and include contributions for fringe benefits such as vacations, pension funds, training, and health plans for each employee.

As required by your Board, language has been incorporated into the project specifications stating that the contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the Federal income tax laws.

The contracts will be in the form previously approved by County Counsel. We will also review and approve the faithful performance and payment bonds filed by the contractors.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

Each of these projects was found to be categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act at the time your Board called for bids. The specifics of these findings are included in the enclosure for each project.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The contracts were solicited on an open competitive basis in accordance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code.

The project specifications contain provisions requiring the contractor to report solicitations of improper consideration by County employees and allowing the County to terminate the contract if it is found that the contractor offered or gave improper consideration to County employees.

Public Works has confirmed that all of the respective contractors are in compliance with the County's Child Support Compliance Program and the requirements of the Contractor Employee Jury Service Program. In addition, the contracts will include language requiring compliance with the Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law).

The project specifications also contain a provision that, should the contractor require additional or replacement personnel to fill employment openings, consideration shall be given to hiring qualified participants in the County's Greater Avenues for Independence or General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs.

To ensure that the contracts are awarded to responsible contractors with satisfactory performance histories, bidders are required to report False Claims Act violations, labor law/payroll violations, debarments, their civil litigation history, and information regarding prior criminal convictions. The information reported by all of the respective contractors was considered before making this recommendation to approve execution of the contracts.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

These construction and maintenance services contracts will result in improved public works infrastructure in the communities where the work is scheduled. Where appropriate, local residents and businesses will be informed that traffic and local access may be mildly disrupted during the construction. The proposed schedules for construction are included in the enclosure for each project.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

AWARD OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000984, LIVE OAK SPREADING GROUNDS DRAINAGE
IMPROVEMENTS AND LIVE OAK WASH INVERT ACCESS RAMP
(in the vicinity of Claremont), Supervisorial District 5

TYPE OF WORK: Construction of drainage ditches and swales, a reinforced concrete ramp, 18- and 30-inch reinforced concrete pipes, and shotcrete drainage ditches and swales; installation of double drive gates and chainlink fence; and other appurtenant work.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: April 4, 2006 (Synopsis 67)

BID OPENING DATE: May 2, 2006

BID SUMMARY:

Low	*Sol Construction, Inc., a corporation 231 East Alessandro Boulevard, No. A405 Riverside, California 92508 (909) 578-8196	\$305,157.00
2	*+Olivas Valdez, Inc.	\$452,573.00

*MWBE
+LSBE

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$412,368.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$305,157.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$107,211.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 26 percent below the estimate.

Sufficient funds for this project are available to the Flood Control District for Fiscal Year 2005-06.

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Sol Construction, Inc., has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract. This contract does not have a Federal or State DBE goal.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

Live Oak Wash Invert Access Ramp is categorically exempt pursuant to Class 1, Subsection (o) of the Environmental Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, and Section 15301, Class 1, of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines. Live Oak Spreading Grounds Drainage Improvements is categorically exempt pursuant to Class 3, Subsection (q), of the Environmental Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, and Section 15303 (d) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 60 working days. It is estimated that the work will start in July and be completed in October 2006.

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AWARD OF CONTRACT
May 23, 2006

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000988, PROJECT NO. 9725, EAST SAN GABRIEL VALLEY,
MTD 18 DRAIN REMOVAL (City of West Covina), Supervisorial District 5

TYPE OF WORK: Removal of existing 48-inch CMP; construction of 18-inch RCP connector pipes, abandonment seals, asphalt concrete pavement, and other appurtenant work.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: April 4, 2006 (Synopsis 67)

BID OPENING DATE: May 2, 2006

BID SUMMARY:

Low	*Perry C. Thomas Construction, Inc., a corporation 240 West Duarte Road Monrovia, California 91016 (626) 303-4484	\$264,564.00
2	*+Olivas Valdez, Inc.	\$336,943.20
3	Zondiros Corporation	\$340,997.00

*MWBE
+LSBE

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$212,888.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$264,564.00
Amount of recommended contract above estimate	\$ 51,676.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 24 percent above the estimate, which was based on the recent average prices for similar items of work. Our review of the estimate reveals that it did not account for increased pricing due to the relatively small quantities of work included in several contract items. We do not believe readvertising the project will result in lower bids. Therefore, we recommend award of the contract to the lowest bidder.

Sufficient funds for this project are available to the Flood Control District for Fiscal Year 2005-06.

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Perry C. Thomas Construction, Inc., a WBE, has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract. This contract does not have a Federal or State DBE goal.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This project is statutorily exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 21080.21 of the Public Resources Code.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 55 working days. It is estimated that the work will start in August and be completed in October 2006.

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AWARD OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0001004, PRIORITY A AND B CATCH BASIN RETROFIT IN CITIES TRIBUTARY TO THE LOS ANGELES RIVER, PHASE 2 (in the Echo Park and Westlake areas of the City of Los Angeles and the City of La Cañada-Flintridge), Supervisorial Districts 1, 2, and 5

TYPE OF WORK: Installation of trash excluders in existing storm drain catch basins and other appurtenant work.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: April 4, 2006 (Synopsis 66)

BID OPENING DATE: May 2, 2006

BID SUMMARY:

Low	United Storm Water, Inc., corporation 14000 East Valley Boulevard Industry, California 91746 (877) 717-8676	\$ 722,860.00
2	*G2 Construction	\$ 848,480.00
3	*Sol Construction	\$1,041,056.00
4	Romero General Construction Corp.	\$1,110,480.00

*MWBE

Southern California Contracting, Inc., was the apparent low bidder with a bid of \$393,670.00; however, they requested that their bid be withdrawn due to a clerical error resulting in a significant underbid. Our review confirmed that a bonafide clerical error was made, and Southern California Contractors, Inc., should be relieved of its bid proposal as provided in the "Instruction to Bidders." Therefore, we recommend award of the contract to the next lowest, responsible bidder.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$901,900.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$722,860.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$179,040.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 20 percent below the estimate.

Sufficient funds for this project are available to the Flood Control District for Fiscal Year 2005-06.

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

United Storm Water, Inc., has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract. This contract does not have a Federal or State DBE goal.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

On November 8, 2005, Synopsis 30, your Board found this project categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 100 working days. It is estimated that the work will start in September 2006 and be completed in January 2007.

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AWARD OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0001008, CDR 114 - UPGRADE CORRUGATED METAL PIPE
(Cities of Pico Rivera and Whittier), Supervisorial Districts 1 and 4

TYPE OF WORK: Cleaning, video inspection, and replacement of a corrugated metal pipe with reinforced concrete pipe; lining of existing reinforced concrete pipes, corrugated metal pipes, and corrugated metal pipe arches; and other appurtenant work.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: April 11, 2006 (Synopsis 27)

BID OPENING DATE: May 9, 2006

BID SUMMARY:

Low	Sancon Technologies, Inc., a corporation 5881 Engineer Drive Huntington Beach, California 92649 (714) 902-0115	\$215,986.00
2	Insituform Technologies, Inc.	\$235,710.00
3	Wesco Infrastructure Technologies, LP	\$396,075.00

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$322,450.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$215,986.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$106,464.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 33 percent below the estimate.

Sufficient funds for this project are available to the Flood Control District for Fiscal Year 2005-06.

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Sancon Technologies, Inc., has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract. This contract does not have a Federal or State DBE goal.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Sections 15301(b) and 15302(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act, and Class 1(e) and Class 2(b), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 55 working days. It is estimated that the work will start in August and be completed in October 2006.

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AWARD OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. FMD0003081, CATCH BASIN CLEANOUT 2006, LOS ANGELES RIVER WATERSHED (in the vicinities of Commerce, Compton, Hidden Hills, Long Beach, and Pasadena), All Supervisorial Districts

TYPE OF WORK: Cleaning of approximately 37,000 catch basins in the Los Angeles River Watershed.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: April 4, 2006 (Synopsis 67)

BID OPENING DATE: May 2, 2006

BID SUMMARY:

Low *+Ronnie E. Norman, an individual dba Ron's Maintenance 11542 Horely Avenue Downey, California 90241 (213) 359-3827	\$ 336,879.00
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2 *+J & G Maintenance	\$ 393,025.50
3 United Storm Water, Inc.	\$1,398,796.47

* MWBE
+ LSBE

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$374,310.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$336,879.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$ 37,431.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 10 percent below the estimate.

Sufficient funds for this project are available to the Flood Control District for Fiscal Year 2005-06.

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Ron's Maintenance, an MBE, has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract. This contract does not have a Federal or State DBE goal.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Class 1, Subsection (e), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The project is to be completed in 70 working days. It is estimated that the work will start in June and be completed in September 2006.

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014747, SOLAR POWERED SCHOOL ZONE FLASHER PROJECT, CYCLE 5 (in the vicinities of Montebello, Florence, Elizabeth Lake, and Lake Los Angeles), Supervisorial Districts 1, 2, and 5

TYPE OF WORK: Installation of solar powered school zone flashers.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: April 4, 2006 (Synopsis 68)

BID OPENING DATE: May 2, 2006

BID SUMMARY:

Low	Republic Electric, Inc., a corporation 371 Bel Marin Keys Boulevard, Suite 200 Novato, California 94949-5699 (415) 884-3000	\$119,440.00
2	TDS Engineering	\$130,378.00
3	*Steiny and Company, Inc.	\$142,742.00
4	Terno, Inc.	\$149,312.00
5	Orange Builders, Inc.	\$156,982.00
6	Comet Electric, Inc.	\$186,600.00

*MWBE

Oak Engineering, Inc., submitted a bid in the amount of \$184,226.00, and Zondiros Corporation submitted a bid in the amount of \$198,600.00; however, neither of these contractors possess the required California Class C10 contractor's license. Therefore, their bid was considered nonresponsive and rejected as provided in the "Instructions to Bidders."

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$137,600.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$119,440.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$ 18,160.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 13 percent below the estimate.

This project will be administered utilizing State transportation grant funding under the Safe Routes to School Program (SR2S) and existing County/State Master Agreement No. 71078. Under this program, a portion of the project cost will be financed using the State Grant. The necessary funds required to finance the project are available in the Fiscal Year 2005-06 Road Fund Budget.

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Republic Electric has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract. This contract does not have a Federal or State DBE goal.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Class 1, Subsection (i), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, and Section 15301 (f) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 25 working days. It is estimated that the work will start in August and be completed in September 2006.

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AWARD OF CONTRACT
May 23, 2005

PROJECT ID NO. RMD1146040, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING, ROAD DIVISION 116,
FY 2005-06 (in the vicinity of City of Industry), Supervisorial District 1

TYPE OF WORK: Trimming of parkway trees.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: April 18, 2006 (Synopsis 56)

BID OPENING DATE: May 16, 2006

BID SUMMARY:

Low	*California Western Arborists, Inc., a corporation 4201 Long Beach Boulevard, Suite 320 Long Beach, California 90807 (562) 988-9343	\$32,656.00
2	*Mariposa Horticultural Enterprises, Inc.	\$43,434.00
3	TruGreen Landcare	\$44,821.00
4	United Pacific Services, Inc.	\$44,900.00
5	J. Orozco Enterprises, Inc.	\$48,815.00
6	*Trimming Land Co., Inc.	\$60,497.00
7	West Coast Arborists, Inc.	\$62,645.00

* MBE

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$42,930.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$32,656.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$10,274.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 24 percent below the estimate.

This project is included in the Fiscal Year 2005-06 Road Fund Budget.

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

California Western Arborists, Inc., an MWBE, has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract. This contract does not have a Federal or State DBE goal.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Class 1, Subsection (j), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 30 working days. It is estimated that the work will start in September and be completed in October 2006.

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AWARD OF CONTRACT
May 23, 2006

PROJECT ID NO. RMD1446016, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING, RD 416,
FY 2005-06 (in the vicinity of Hacienda Heights), Supervisorial District 4

TYPE OF WORK: Trimming and removal of parkway trees.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: April 4, 2006 (Synopsis 68)

BID OPENING DATE: May 2, 2005

BID SUMMARY:

Low	*Trimming Land Co., Inc. 10513 Dolores Avenue South Gate, California 90280 (323) 569-4498	\$127,530.00
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2	United Pacific Services, Inc.	\$144,320.00
3	West Coast Arborists, Inc.	\$182,385.00

*MWBE

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$138,235.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$127,530.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$ 10,705.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 7.7 percent below the estimate.

This project is included in the Fiscal Year 2005-06 Road Fund Budget.

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Trimming Land Co., Inc., an MWBE, has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract. This contract does not have a Federal or State DBE goal.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Class 1, Subsection (j), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 60 working days. It is estimated that the work will start in October 2006 and be completed in January 2007.

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PROJECT ID. NO. RMD4246006, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING, RD 141/241,
FY 2005-06 (in the vicinities of Huntington Park and Compton),
Supervisory Districts 1 and 2

TYPE OF WORK: Trimming and removal of parkway trees.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: April 4, 2006 (Synopsis 68)

BID OPENING DATE: May 2, 2006

BID SUMMARY:

Low	*Trimming Land Co., Inc. 10513 Dolores Avenue South Gate, California 90280 (323) 569-4498	\$151,730.00
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2	West Coast Arborists, Inc.	\$205,734.00
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*MWBE

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$128,298.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$151,730.00
Amount of recommended contract above estimate	\$ 23,432.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 18 percent above the estimate, which was based on recent contract prices for similar items of work. While the bid price is higher than the estimate, readvertising the project will result in increased contract administration costs and delay the project with no guarantee lower bids will be received. Therefore, we recommend award of the contract to the low bidder.

This project is included in the Fiscal Year 2005-06 Road Fund Budget.

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Trimming Land Co., Inc., an MWBE, has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract. This contract does not have a Federal or State DBE goal.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Class 1, Subsection (j), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The project is to be completed in 50 working days. It is estimated that the work will start in October and be completed in December 2006.

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AWARD OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. RMD4446006, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING, RD 146/446,
FY 2005-06 (in the vicinities of Santa Fe Springs and Whittier),
Supervisory Districts 1 and 4

TYPE OF WORK: Parkway tree trimming and removal.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: April 11, 2006 (Synopsis 32)

BID OPENING DATE: May 9, 2006

BID SUMMARY:

Low	United Pacific Services, Inc., a corporation 120 East La Habra Boulevard, Suite 107 La Habra, California 90631 (562) 691-4600	\$196,480.00
2	*Trimming Land Co., Inc.	\$218,533.00
3	West Coast Arborists, Inc.	\$221,854.00

* MWBE

Grace Building Maintenance Company submitted a bid in the amount of \$135,150.00; however, their bid failed to include a fully executed bid bond. Therefore, their bid was considered nonresponsive and rejected as provided in the "Instructions to Bidders."

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$159,032.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$196,480.00
Amount of recommended contract above estimate	\$ 37,448.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 24 percent above the estimate, which was based on recent average contract prices for similar items of work. However, since the bids received were competitively priced, we do not believe readvertising the project will result in lower bids. Therefore, we recommend award of the contract to the lowest bidder.

This project is included in the Fiscal Year 2005-06 Road Fund Budget.

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

United Pacific Services, Inc., has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract. This contract does not have a Federal or State DBE goal.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Class 1, Subsection (j), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The project is to be completed in 60 working days. It is estimated that the work will begin in September and be completed in December 2006.

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PROJECT ID NO. RMD5546113, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING AND REMOVAL,
ROAD DIVISIONS 555 A AND C AND 558 A, B, AND D, FAST GROWTH,
FY 2005-06 (in the vicinities of East Lancaster, Lake Los Angeles, Littlerock,
Pearblossom, Sun Village, and Valyermo), Supervisorial District 5

TYPE OF WORK: Trimming and removal of parkway trees.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: April 11, 2006 (Synopsis 33)

BID OPENING DATE: May 9, 2006

BID SUMMARY:

Low *Trimming Land Co., Inc. 10513 Dolores Avenue South Gate, California 90280 (323) 569-4498	\$129,803.00
2 TruGreen LandCare	\$139,680.50
3 West Coast Arborists, Inc.	\$160,215.00
4 United Pacific Services, Inc.	\$164,080.00
5 Tip Top Arborists, Inc.	\$218,255.00

*MWBE

Grace Building Maintenance Co., Inc., submitted a bid in the amount of \$103,120.00; however, their bid failed to include a fully executed bid bond. Therefore, their bid was considered nonresponsive and rejected as provided in the Instructions to Bidders.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$117,795.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$129,803.00
Amount of recommended contract above estimate	\$ 12,008.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 10 percent above the estimate.

This project is included in the Fiscal Year 2005-06 Road Fund Budget.

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Trimming Land Co., Inc., an MWBE, has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract. This contract does not have a Federal or State DBE goal.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Class 1, Subsection (j), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The project is to be completed in 45 working days. It is estimated that the work will start in October and be completed in December 2006.

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